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Memorandum

TO SAC, DALLAS (44-1639) DATE: 11/25/63

FROM SA ALBERT SAYERS

SUBJECT: JACK RUBY, aka.;
LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka. - VICTIM
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SEQUENCE OF EVENTS LEADING TO THE DEATH OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD

At about 11:20 a.m., 11/24/63, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, age 24, a suspect in the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY, while being transferred from the Dallas City Jail to the Dallas County Jail, was shot. He died at Parkland Hospital, Dallas, at 1:07 p.m., the same day. His assailant was identified as JACK L. RUBY, a night club operater in Dallas.

Information furnished by Detective J. R. LEAVELLE, Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Dallas Police Department, supported and supplemented by Detectives L. C. GRAVES, L. D. MONTGOMERY, WILBUR J. CUTCHSHAW, and Lieutenant R. E. SWAIN, revealed the following events which culminated in the shooting of OSWALD:

OSWALD was taken from the third floor of the City Hall building to the basement jail office of the building. He was handcuffed on his right side to Detective LEAVELLE and Detective GRAVES had hold of his left arm. They were preceded by Captain J. WILL FRITZ and Lieutenant SWAIN. They were followed by Detectives L. D. MONTGOMERY and WILBUR J. CUTCHSHAW.

They traveled to the jail office in the basement of the building by way of the jail elevator. Upon instructions of Captain FRITZ, Lieutenant SWAIN went through the door of the jail office to the corridor leading to a driveway which leads to the street. A car was waiting at the mouth of the corridor and members of the various news media covering the

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event were crowded around the opposite side of the corridor from where the car which was to transport OSWALD was waiting. As this car was backed to a point even with Detective LEAVELLE, a man broke from among the newsmen who were standing about six to eight feet away, and ran directly toward OSWALD. This man was later identified as JACK L. RUBY. He had a .38 caliber revolver in his hand and shot OSWALD from a distance of approximately 15 inches. Detective GRAVES immediately grabbed RUBY's left hand and with his right hand, took the gun from RUBY's hand. Almost simultaneous to this action, several officers subdued RUBY and took him into custody. Almost immediately an ambulance arrived and took the mortally wounded OSWALD to Parkland Hospital, Dallas, where he died at 1:07 p.m.